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REMARKS

Applicants submit this supplemental response in regard to a Notice of Failure to Acceptably Respond to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, dated 13 October 2004.

Applicants' agent spoke with the Examiner on 20 October 2004, informing the Examiner that there had been no prior Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment. The Examiner indicated that the incorrect form was forwarded to Applicants' agent and that a simple response to the Notice is all that was required.

The Examiner noted in said Notice form that claim 18 of the Amendment filed 26 July 2004 contained the word "fragment" whereas the prior claim recited "fragments" but that proper amendment was not made to this claim. Applicants have no wish to further amend this claim and use of the word "fragment" instead of the plural form "fragments" in said amendment was a typographical error, shown by the fact that claim 21 depends from claim 18 and recites the plural "fragments."

To resolve any ambiguity, Applicants herewith follow the Examiner's suggestion and are forwarding this Supplemental Response with the amended claim set from the Amendment filed 26 July 2004 but containing the word "fragments" in claim 18, which is what was recited in original claim 18.

No fee is believed to be due in filing this response. If any additional fee is due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any and all such fees to Deposit Account No. 03-0678.

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VIA FACSIMILE

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